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CHURCHILL WANTS YOUR SON!



An Editorial

New York now witnesses the unusual spectacle of a city preparing to honor a man who comes here to seek our sons as cannon fodder for his rotten, tottering empire.

Winston Churchill's presence here spells death for many a young New York boy if the Churchillian dreams of another world war are allowed to come to pass.

Churchill's presence here dishonors this city and its young men who died to crush the very thing Churchill now re-echoes from Hitler's *Mein Kampf*.

Churchill comes here to tear down and destroy the UNO which President Roosevelt helped to create as the basis of Big Three unity and world peace. It is a matter of public record that Churchill sneered at

Roosevelt's social reforms the way any Tory would sneer at popular progress.

Churchill has been known for decades as a typical Tory aristocrat. He is cunning and treacherous, with a rare talent for idealistic phrases, which he can betray unhesitatingly to serve his Tory class.

The English people accepted him as a war leader. But they kicked him out the first chance they got once the war was over. They know him and don't trust him.

They remembered that Churchill was the No. 1 organizer of war against Europe's democracies and the new Soviet Republic following World War I.

The Irish of New York have no love for this Tory whose class has murdered and robbed their Irish forebears for centuries.

The Italian people can have only scorn for this reactionary who praised the fascist

Mussolini when that tyrant was grinding the Italian nation into the dust.

The Jewish people have tasted the brutal treachery of this Tory, whose class mocks their desperate efforts to win safety in Palestine.

The world knows that Churchill's Fulton speech gave joy to the German Nazis. It sounded like Goebbels revived.

To honor the man who now appears as a great hope to Germany is to dishonor the American soldiers who died fighting Nazism in alliance with the Soviet troops.

New York does not welcome this seeker after the blood of its sons!

The British people kicked him out. Let New York public indignation follow the British example.

Freedom-loving mankind everywhere will congratulate us.

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Connally's Big 3 Plea Has Anti-Soviet Ring

By ROB F. HALL

WASHINGTON, March 12.—In what was a seeming effort to tone down somewhat the anti-Soviet bluster of recent speeches by Vandenberg, Churchill and Byrnes, Sen. Tom Connally (D-Tex) urged the Big Three powers to work for world peace.

"These three nations," Connally said in a Senate speech, "have the supreme opportunity of the centuries to achieve and maintain the peace of the world. Shall they throw it away and turn back to the days of suspicion and distrust and fear?"

He urged regular meetings of heads of state or foreign ministers "of the Big Three or the Big Five" to discuss mutual problems.

Apparently in answer to Churchill's proposal for a military alliance between the U.S. and Great Britain, Connally insisted the only hope of world peace lay in strengthening and cooperating with the United Nations Organization.

In certain sections of his speech, however, Connally echoed State Department policy towards the Soviet Union. He implied agreement with Byrnes' criticism of Soviet policy in Iran. He coupled this with the statement that "it is hoped Russia will not permit her new-found power to blind her to the necessity of recognizing and respecting the rights of other nations."

"WARNINGS"

Several references, while not naming the Soviet Union, were interpreted as warnings to Russia.

"No unilateral action should be taken," he said at one place and, at another, "The U.S. will resist aggression by arms, it will also

oppose aggression by economic or political pressure or maneuver."

Connally did not discuss the aggression of British imperialism in Greece, Indonesia, Iran or India. Nor did he mention the role of American imperialism in China, Latin America or the Pacific. On the contrary, he pictured American imperialism as spotless.

Speaking of the costs of war, he said, "We made these sacrifices not for conquest, not for booty, not for dominion either by sword or political pressure. The world knows that we do not look with covetous eyes upon territories of other nations; that we do not desire to extinguish the liberties of any other people; that we have no plans hostile to its peace and happiness."

He proposed as imperative that the U.S. maintain its armaments at a high level, including "an adequate army, a superior navy and a superlative air force."

He warned that the United Nations is threatened "by the relentless and insidious attempts of the

enemies of real democracy to drive wedges of suspicion and distrust into its ranks."

He recalled that after World War I the allies quarreled even before the peace was signed.

"By 1936 they were so split apart that German troops were able to reoccupy the Rhineland without resistance from the League of Nations."

The UNO differs from the League of Nations chiefly in that the U.S. and the Soviet Union are members of UNO, he said.



AYD Vets Defend Rents:

The lady at the left is a property owner who's trying to blow the OPA lid off rents, but she is whistling at the wind as far as the pickets are concerned. The pickets are protesting plans of a property owners' meeting in Detroit to needle OPA into granting a rent rise. They are members of the Veterans Committee of the American Youth for Democracy.

Soft Coal Miners' Case Presented for Wage Raises

WASHINGTON, March 12 (FP).—John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, AFL, met the bituminous coal operators negotiating committee today with all of the anticipated demands for a miners' health and welfare fund, settlement of the foremen's issue, increases in wages and reduction in hours.

Lewis occupied the platform in the Shoreham Hotel ballroom for nearly two hours as he lectured the mine owners and their agents for moving into action against the UMW demands "before the demands are made known."

No details of the exact terms of the UMW proposals were released officially, and a spokesman for the union said "a lot of fellows are out on a limb" with stories predicting precise figures.

Lewis told the operators and the assembled members of his union's Policy Committee that the miners have had no increase in basic hourly rates since 1941. However, he said, they were "permitted to work more time." And he supposed the man who works "more hours and more days can always increase his total wages if he's strong enough."

He paused and commented, "The mine owners do not consider that a favor." He said his members "have been disturbed by the seeming lack of appreciation on the part of the coal operators of the contribution of the coal miners" and that the activity of the National Coal Association had been used by management to "nag and bait and rag the UMW."

CITES LOWER COST

He denied the owners' contention that competitive fuels were now injuring its position, and argued increased production had lowered unit costs.

Arguing for the proposed health and welfare fund, which under his 1945 proposal would have been financed by a royalty payment on each ton mined, Lewis pointed to the fact that from 1936 to 1945 an average of 1,981 miners had been killed yearly, and that from 1930-44 the toll in injured was an annual average of 66,968.

Earlier in the day the conference elected Ezra Van Horn as permanent chairman and UMW secretary-treasurer Tom Kennedy secretary.

Conferences continue tomorrow.

Fair Pay or Strike, Brotherhoods Warn

CHICAGO, March 12 (UP).—Two powerful railroad brotherhoods tonight warned an emergency presidential fact-finding panel that their demands for more pay and improved working conditions must be met or

"we will not hesitate to use economic pressure."

The brotherhoods—trainmen and locomotive engineers—told the Board that its recommendations would not necessarily avert a strike.

"However," D. A. MacKenzie, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, said, "we hope the recommendations will be acceptable."

Counsel for the railroads said if the demands by the BRT and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for a 25 percent pay boost were granted, the rail lines would have to ask the Interstate Commerce Commission for increases in both passenger and freight rates.

Navy Fund Request Stresses Spy Work

WASHINGTON, March 12 (UP).—The Navy will place greater emphasis on intelligence work and aviation in the postwar era, its \$3,725,186,000 budget for fiscal 1947 revealed today.

The budget shows an estimate of \$1,025,000 for the office of Naval Intelligence, compared with \$158,500 for the current fiscal year.

It also carries an estimate of \$385,000,000 for construction of naval aircraft. This compares with \$94,737,200 obligated for that purpose in the current fiscal year.

Advise Half-Year More for Bretton Signing

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 12 (UP).—The committee on membership of the World Bank and Fund today recommended to the board of governors that all non-signatory nations be given another six months to sign the Bretton Woods monetary agreements and retain rights as charter members.

Nations that have not signed the agreement include the USSR, Australia, Haiti, Liberia, New Zealand, Venezuela, Nicaragua and El Salvador.

SENATE SUB-COMMITTEE CUTS COMPULSION FROM CASE BILL

WASHINGTON, March 12 (UP).—A Senate labor subcommittee today tore the heart out of the House-approved Case strike-control bill and adopted a substitute establishing a five-man Federal Mediation Board.

The board would take over all duties and powers of the U. S. Conciliation Service and would "encourage" collective bargaining. The House Case bill had been de-

Hint New Health Boss Going Out

While Mayor O'Dwyer vigorously defended his appointment of Dr. Edward M. Bernecker yesterday, City Hall buzzed with reports that the new health commissioner would soon be replaced.

The Mayor called reporters in to answer criticism by the American Medical Assn. and members of the Board of Health. O'Dwyer said that he had been "informed by the Corporation Counsel that the appointment of Dr. Bernecker is legal" and went on to praise the Commissioner's "distinction in his chosen profession."

The Mayor hinted he intended Bernecker's appointment to be temporary and added, "as Mayor, I am entitled to a Health Commissioner who is qualified to administer the Health Department and has loyalty to me."

This was interpreted as a crack at former commissioner Dr. Ernest L. Stebbins who was openly critical of the Mayor and Bernecker.

Observers believe that Lt. Col. Israel Weinstein, 42, newly-appointed Deputy Health Commissioner now on terminal leave, would be named commissioner within a few weeks.

Senate Committee Votes For Army Atom Control

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The Senate Atomic Energy Committee today, by a 6 to 1 vote, approved a proposal by Sen. Arthur Vandenberg (R-Mich) which would give a military board virtual dictatorial powers over atomic development.

The committee overrode its own chairman, Sen. Brien McMahon (D-Conn), who voted against the proposal, and President Truman. The action also ignored the scientists who had warned of the dangers of military control.

The Vandenberg proposal was offered as an amendment to the McMahon bill, which would set up a five-man civilian control commission.

Vandenberg's amendment would empower the military board to review all commission actions which the board deems to effect national defense. The President, who would name the board, would referee any case in dispute between the board and the commission.

McMahon said it would empower the military board to pass on "anything from the hiring of janitors at atomic energy establishments to the construction of atomic bomb plants." He said it also would give the board power to "check every telephone call,

every memorandum written and the hiring of personnel."

Vandenberg said world conditions made it imperative to give the military dominant control.

Voting with Vandenberg were Senators Edwin C. Johnson (D-Colo), Millard Tydings (D-Md), Eugene D. Millikin (R-Colo), Harry F. Byrd (D-Va) and Bourke Hickenlooper (R-Ia).

UNO Bronx Session Postponed 4 Days

Benjamin Cohen of Chile, Assistant Attorney General of the United Nations Organization in charge of public information, announced yesterday that the meeting of the Security Council has been postponed from March 21 to March 25.

The four day leeway was agreed to because of transportation difficulties and a breakdown in flying schedules, Cohen said.

BIG RALLY NEXT MONDAY WILL ANSWER CHURCHILL

Churchill's recent speech threatened a new world war directed against the Soviet Union, Richard Morford, executive director of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, charged yesterday, in announcing a demonstration called by the Council.

The demonstration will answer Churchill's war-mongering and demand that President Truman repudiate the Churchill statement. It will also call on Truman to reaffirm Anglo-American-Soviet cooperation as the only possible foundation of the UNO and lasting international peace.

The rally will be held next Monday, March 18, 5 p.m., at Madison Square Park, Madison Ave. and 25 St. Leading government and civic representatives will speak.

Morford urged attendance of all patriotic, civic, labor and fraternal organizations and members, and added that leaflets are available at Council headquarters, 114 E. 32 St.

nounced as a labor straitjacket.

The Senate bill will be taken up by the full committee Thursday.

Chairman James E. Murray (D-Mont), said it is the committee's answer to President Truman's request for strike-control legislation although it does not include fact-finding, cooling-off periods, supervisory employees, secondary boycotts or union and company responsibility for observing contracts.

Izvestia Warns USSR Won't Permit War Preparations on Her Borders

Halifax Detends Goering As Anxious to Avert War

Lord Halifax, the retiring British ambassador to Washington, was revealed yesterday as defending the Number Two Nazi, Hermann Goering, on the grounds that Goering really wanted to avoid war in 1939. In a sworn affidavit, replying to 20 questions submitted by Goering's attorney, Otto Stahmer, Halifax also admitted that he attempted to negotiate a last-minute peace with the Nazis in August, 1939, without the knowledge of the British ambassador in Berlin.

The Halifax testimony, said United Press, "was considered a valuable contribution to Goering's defense contention that he sought to avoid war and opposed Adolf Hitler's lust for conquest."

The 20 questions and the Halifax

answers have not yet been submitted in the Nuernberg court but were published yesterday by a German-language paper, according to United Press.

The sensational statement also disclosed the close connections between the British Tories and the German Nazis. Halifax, it will be recalled, was foreign secretary under Neville Chamberlain.

The Halifax testimonial threw another beam of light on the Labor government which retained him in Washington since last summer.

Like all the other Nazis in the Nuernberg dock, Goering claims he was a peace-loving fellow and the war was all Hitler's fault.

Halifax's affidavit declared in reply to a query about Goering's sincerity in desiring to avoid war: "I have no doubt that Goering would have preferred it if he could have done it."

It was also disclosed that a Swedish engineer, Birger Dahlerus, was sent to London by Goering in August, 1939 and met secretly with the Foreign Secretary. Halifax admitted that the then ambassador to Berlin, Sir Neville Henderson, was unaware of these meetings.

Halifax's answers also revealed that when he visited Goering's hunting lodge in November, 1937, he was told that Germany would not give up its demands for Austria, the Sudeten zone of Czechoslovakia, the return of Danzig and the Polish corridor.

In other words, the British Foreign Office knew in 1937 the entire program of Nazi aggression up to the war.

Other Nuernberg testimony yesterday: Field Marshal Albert Kes-



GOERING
Gets Help



HALIFAX
Character Witness

Davis, Cacchione Offer Bill Scorning Churchill War Talk

By MICHAEL SINGER

Three times during yesterday's City Council session a jammed gallery heard Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., stand up and give the red-baiters a lesson in progressive politics. The Manhattan Communist councilman with his Brooklyn colleague, Peter V. Cacchione:

• Introduced a resolution condemning Winston Churchill's speech at Fulton, Mo., on March 5 as "an incitation to World War III, as a threat to the peace and well-being of our country and the world, and as a threat to the very existence of the UNO which our late Commander-in-Chief, Franklin D. Roosevelt, was a prime architect."

• Denounced the red-baiting outbreak in the Council last week and linked the Council's anti-Soviet attacks with "Churchill's war inciting address and the whole drive by the reactionary forces in America to incite war against the Soviet Union."

• Forced the deletion from the record of a violent speech against Michael J. Quill by Councilman A. S. Phillips, Queens Republican, who introduced a resolution to oust the CIO transit leader from the Council.

ANSWERS SHEAHAN

The resolution was sent to the Committee on Rules, Privileges and

Elections. Davis' first counter-attack against the Council die-hards came after the reading of a letter from John J. Sheahan, chairman of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee of Arrangements. Sheahan asked the Council to exclude Davis and Peter V. Cacchione, Brooklyn Communist member, from the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday afternoon, March 16.

Sheahan based his request on Davis' and Cacchione's opposition to the resolution in the Council last week welcoming Cardinal Spellman upon his return from Rome and Madrid.

The Council red-baiters tried but failed to repeat their fanatical speech of last week.

Councilman Stanley M. Isaacs, Manhattan Independent Republican, assailed the attempt to put the Sheahan letter in the records. He said he would protest such action by "not marching" in the

Even Brooklyn Democrat Councilman Walter Hart, who led the reactionary assault last week, was forced to object to placing Sheahan's letter in the record.

DEFENDS RIGHT TO SPEAK

Davis, however, denounced the move to "spread the letter in the minutes" as unwarranted interference in his personal rights to speak out on issues.

He pointed out that last week's expressions were "used first by Hitler and now are connected with the red-baiting drive expressed by Churchill in his speech."

Then, hammering his desk with his fist, Davis said:

"I shall fight as I see fit. Nobody will intimidate me, nobody. If I did any less I would be unworthy of the people who elected me to this Council. I shall continue to speak up on what I think is right or wrong as my conscience sees fit and nobody here or any place else is going to intimidate me into silence."

LONDON, March 12 (UP).—Eugene Tarle, leading Soviet historian, lashed out today at Winston Churchill, British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, implied that the atomic bomb was no longer an American-British-Canadian secret and warned that the Soviet Union would tolerate no preparations for war on her borders.

Writing in the Moscow newspaper Izvestia—Soviet government organ—Tarle also struck at former President Herbert Hoover, asserting that during the Manchurian crisis of 1931 he advised Japan that the United States would not oppose Japanese expansion northward (toward or into Soviet territory).

Warning that the speech Churchill made at Fulton, Mo., March 5 could not be underestimated because he was too prominent a world figure, and asserting that Churchill merely "prefers to act under the pseudonym of the Labor Government," Tarle wrote:

"Bevin is dancing the same dance, inciting suspicion against the Soviet Union, fanning alarm concerning alleged Soviet aggressions, organizing hostile blocs and encouraging hostile neighboring tribes on our southern border, where there is being created—indeed, already has been created—a blind alley." [Britain is arming mercenaries in southern Iran.]

Tarle said that critics of Churchill's speech were angry because he insisted upon making "this much propagandized joint Anglo-Saxon challenge to the Soviet Union while they still enjoy a monopoly of new weapons."

WHAT SECRET?

He continued:

"Churchill strongly likes to believe and convince his audience that such a monopoly still exists."

Tarle summarized Soviet policy as follows:

"We will not permit a repetition of 1941 and will not tolerate even the mildest preparations for an attack on our frontiers. It is well known:

"1—That the Soviet Union is not trying to attain world mastery, as Churchill accuses though he himself does not believe such nonsense. But we also know that the Soviet Union has firmly decided to tightly secure all its borders and

"2—In fulfilling this legitimate necessary task it will not be intimidated by any threats, any foxiness, any brandishing of new single type or variegated weapons and will continue to go its way straightforwardly without coveting other people's interests and at the same time not compromising its own interests."

U.S.-RUSSIAN FRIENDSHIP

Tarle recited the history of Russian-American relations from the American Revolution through the War of 1812 to the Civil War, when he said "Britain historically pursued a policy antagonistic to the United States while Russia always supported American interests."

True, he said, there was a lapse after the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

"... Up to 1933 American reaction hindered the establishment of normal diplomatic relations. Reactionary circles then managed to incite the government to participate in intervention against the young Soviet Republic."

"In 1931 Hoover also informed Japan that 'should Japanese expansion spread northward from Manchuria the United States Government would not oppose it.'

"However, progressive circles in America gained the upper hand and for many years Russian-American relations have reacquired the traditional friendly character."

"In the last World War the common struggle against a perfidious, cruel enemy brought us even closer together."

TOUGH POLICY WON'T WORK

Tarle said Churchill's speech was "a sharp, frank, deliberate, provocative challenge to the Soviet Union" and everybody agreed that such a challenge if successful "could change everything for the worse in frightened by Churchill's warning."

Berlin Paper Raps Churchill

BERLIN, March 11 (UP).—The newspaper, *Nacht*, said in a front page editorial today that Winston Churchill's Fulton, Mo., speech advocated "democracy with an atom bomb."

In its first editorial comment on the address, the newspaper viewed the reaction caused by Churchill's speech as surprising.

"Did anyone think an old Conservative Party leader would suddenly become a Socialist, when in 1941, as Britain signed an alliance with the Soviet Union, Churchill explicitly declared 'I am an enemy of Communism,'" the newspaper said.

It said Churchill's statement that "one should impress Russia if one wants peace" was dangerous.

a situation which is already tense...

"Contemporary England is not Churchill's England nor is England those inexpert diplomats who think that strong fist-pounding on the table can help diplomatic conflicts."

Bevin is a fist-pounder.

Tarle wrote that nobody could intimidate the Soviet Union and that "Hitler buried himself and his Third Reich precisely owing to such attempts."

"So far anyone who tried to show force to the Russian people always without exception lost in the attempt. Nothing can irritate the Russian people as much as an attempt to frighten them."

A CROOKED ROAD

Noting Hitler's fate, Tarle asked: "Why, then, does Churchill call on the two great Anglo-Saxon powers to follow this crooked road?"

Tarle attacked British policy in India, Egypt, Greece, Spain and Indonesia and accused Britain of maintaining a German army intact in her German occupation zone. He also attacked Polish and Yugoslav groups which are opposed to the governments in those countries.

He quoted critics of Churchill's speech as doubting that the United States "will bolster the tottering prestige of the British Empire and smother the fires blazing in various parts of the world today, in Egypt tomorrow, in India the day after tomorrow, and where else?"

But, Tarle said, Britain did not want to fight the USSR and if real Britons did not want to fight because of "groundless fears and stupid phantoms" it was hardly likely the United States would change everything for the worse in frightened by Churchill's warning.

Queens Pro-Fascists Hurt Vet Aid

WHO SNEAKED COUGHLINITES INTO SERVICE FUND POSTS?

By JOHN MELDON

The \$10,000,000 National Service Fund to aid disabled war veterans—a worthy project that should have everyone's support—faces danger of losing its effectiveness in Queens because the drive is headed in that borough by Robert M. Harriss, Wall Street broker and prominent supporter of the pro-fascist Charles E. Coughlin.

Two other members of the committee have records just as bad.

Harriss is a rich cotton broker, "adviser" to Father Coughlin and promoter of several fascist-tainted organizations.

When it became known recently that Harriss had been "appointed" (by whom?) as chairman of the Queens division of the National Service Fund, there was immediate protest from the Queens Legislative Council, 54-59 Greenpoint Ave., L. I. C.

PRO-FASCIST TRIO

Dr. Saul Kamen and Estelle Quin, officials of the council, wrote Borough President James A. Burke, a member of the fund committee, naming Harriss and two others on the committee, Justice Herbert O'Brien and Vincent C. Rottkamp, as being "closely identified, both in Queens and nationally, with Coughlinite, Christian Front activities and extreme reaction."

In response to a letter he received from the same council, Rep. James A. Roe, of Queens, also a member of the Queens division of the fund drive, stated:

"These same three men whom you mention have always been opposed to my political philosophy and have opposed me at all times. If any funny business is attempted by them or anybody else on this committee that would be detrimental to the purpose for which it has been established, you can be sure that I will fight them to the last degree."

"This goes for any other committee whose outward appearance is for the veterans, but underlying motives means something else. There are a few such committees operating in Queens at the present time."

COUGHLIN'S MAN

Harriss has been closely associated with Coughlin since at least 1933, has acted as Coughlin's political and financial "adviser," has chaired Coughlin meetings (Nov. 27, 1933, N. Y. Hippodrome), promoted and financed William J. Goodwin for Congress on a "Social Justice" ticket in 1936 in Queens, was one of the founders of a coalition of fascist groups known as "Americans United" and was promoter of the fascist-minded American Rock Party of Queens.

Harriss' friend, Justice O'Brien, also a member of the disabled vets

fund committee, has an equally sinister record.

Justice O'Brien (the man of whom former Mayor LaGuardia said, after appointing him, "When I make a mistake, it's a beaut") has publicly admitted being a spokesman for pro-fascist groups such as the Christian Front, Paul Revere Sentinels and the discredited Protestant War Veterans, the latter an outfit headed by Edward James Smythe, one of the 29 Washington defendants on sedition charges.

O'Brien admitted his connections with the above-mentioned groups while testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, May 2, 1939. His testimony can be found on page 443, part 16, of the committee hearings of that date.

On Jan. 27, 1939, O'Brien was chairman of a meeting to celebrate the Franco victory in Spain.

In 1941, Sen. William J. Murray sponsored a resolution in Albany for "a complete and thorough investigation" of O'Brien. The resolution charged O'Brien with being "a consistent and conspicuous promoter of factions along racial and religious lines."

These gentlemen, along with Rottkamp, who is also a vociferous promoter of home front strife, are members of the Queens division of the National War Service Fund. Undoubtedly, the national officials of the fund drive are unaware of the un-American records of these men. The trade unions and progressive organizations intend to support the fund drive to the hilt. Why someone in authority doesn't look into the Queens set-up it still looks like the \$64 question.

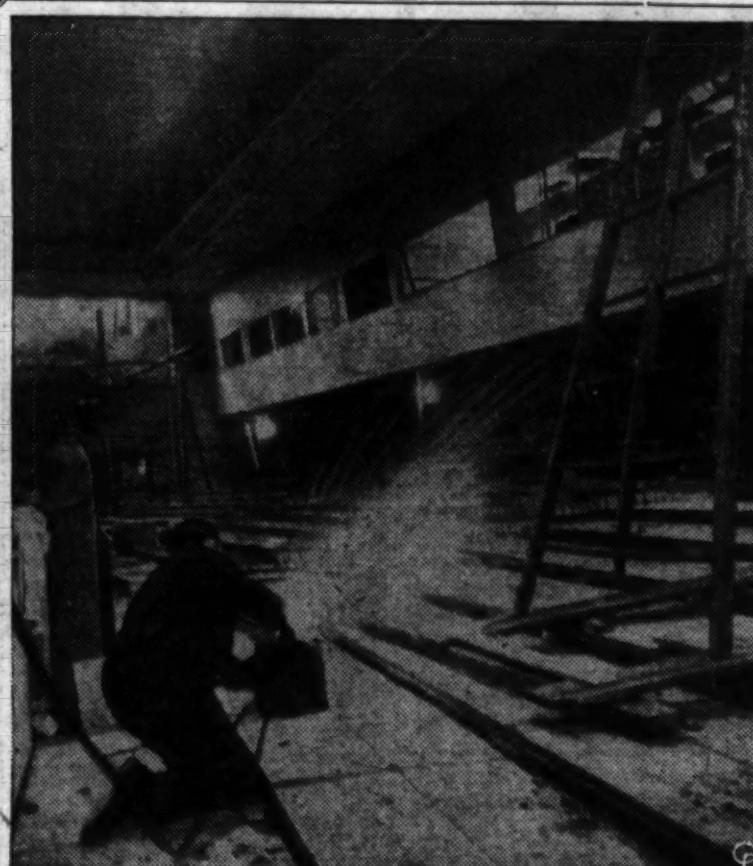
And now add this up:

Ham Fish announces he is going to launch a new fascist party within two weeks.

At the same time it is learned Fish is holed up in a Queens building owned by Harriss, and that Harriss will "issue the call" to form this party.

In addition, the Daily Worker Washington Bureau last week revealed that Coughlin is trying to get back on the air through a dummy outfit—the Royal Oak Broadcasting Co.

It all adds up to an ominous picture. Fish elects to launch his fascist party at a moment lynchings (Tennessee, Freeport), anti-Semitism (Brooklyn knifing and nationwide upswing) and a vicious "fight Russia" drive gets underway. And into the picture comes one of the nation's most dangerous men—Robert M. Harriss.



Symbolic: The sparks fly as this welder helps ready the Hunter College gym in the Bronx for the March 23 meeting of the UNO Security Council. It is predicted that sparks will fly again when France and the Soviet Union demand UNO action against Franco Spain. The British Foreign Office and the U. S. State Department have rejected the proposal in advance.

CHARGE VET CENTERS BIASED AGAINST MINORITY GROUPS

Failure of the government to implement the GI Bill of Rights for Negro, Japanese-American and other minority group veterans is charged by the American Council on Race Relations.

A survey covering the Veteran Information Centers in 21 cities was conducted by Vincent Malveaux, former staff sergeant who fought with a mixed battalion from the Rhine River to Wupperthal. The survey, according to A. A. Liveright, executive director of the Council, reveals:

1. Whole areas of the G. I. Bill, such as the apprenticeship training program, are closed to minority veterans in many communities.

2. The community centers and local U. S. Employment Offices ignore minority vets' army-acquired skills.

3. In some communities, government funds are being used to "train" Negro veterans, ex-technicians, as porters.

4. There are few Negro or other minority group counsellors on the Center staffs.

Ask Truman Censure Churchill Speech

Aaron D. Schneider, executive director, and Sidney Young, secretary-treasurer of Local 1, CIO Office and Professional Workers yesterday urged President Truman to "denounce the policies of Mr. Churchill."

Accusing Winston Churchill of war-mongering, the letter declares that "we, the average Americans who contributed greatly to the successful culmination of World War II, want no part of a new war."

The letter, written in the name of 8,500 members, vehemently protested the speech made by Churchill at Fulton, Mo.

Soft Days Are Over For Graf Spee Crew

HAMBURG, March 12 (UPI)—Officers and crew members of the Nazi pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee returned to Germany today with 600 tons of baggage, six Argentine wives and three children.

Well-fed and healthy after six years of prosperous internment in Argentina, the six officers and 800 ratings were brought home aboard the British liner Highland Monarch.

For their last breakfast before landing in their fatherland, the men were given bacon, eggs and sausage—nearly 3,000 calories.

Report Thomas Raps Dubinsky Anti-CIO Money

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, March 12.—"There is Dubinsky money being sent into our union to give aid to anti-CIO forces," UAW president R. J. Thomas is reported to have told a closed meeting of 120 delegates to the Ford Council meeting of the union.

Thomas' remarks were aimed at David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, who recently spoke jointly with Reuther at a meeting in New York. Dubinsky, backing Reuther, presented him with ILGWU checks totaling \$75,000 for GM relief.

Behind this sudden warmth of Dubinsky for the GM strikers is a campaign by Social Democrats against CIO President Murray for "knifing" labor by settling for 18½ cents, and against Thomas, who faces Reuther's opposition for the presidency.

It became apparent here that the boom for Reuther announced in behalf of 17 locals with a membership of over 200,000 is very much inflated.

Joe McCusker, president of the Ford Local 600, an adherent of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists, is one of the Reuther backers. But, of 76 convention delegates elected by the local of 60,000 members, he could claim a maximum of only 32.

Pat Zombo of Packard, another of the signers, was decisively beaten in that local's election by his anti-Reuther opponent.

Mal Hammond of West Side Amalgamated Local 157, is not president any more, but heads the Social-Democratic-run "third party" of Michigan. Socialist Branden Sexton, president of Local 50, no longer speaks for the large bomber local but for the handful of members who remain in it now.

Others involved in the boom for Reuther spoke only for themselves, and in no way consulted their members.

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Rev. Richardson to Address Golden Gate Rally on Freeport

By CLAUDIA JONES

The Rev. Ben Richardson, dynamic, popular speaker and fighter for equality, will address a mass protest rally on the Freeport, Tennessee, terror at the Golden Gate Auditorium, 141 St. and Lenox Ave., this Sunday.

The Rev. Richardson wrote of the Freeport slayings in his People's Voice columns this week:

"In these days of labor crisis, if policemen lose their sense of restraint and brutalize the public on the slightest provocation, strikers will not be safe. Fascism is rampant in this country. The nation's police forces can easily become the spearhead of it."

Ben Richardson's pen and voice is typical of his fearless spirit. He

recently took issue with the Rev. Samuel H. Sweeney, minister of St. Marks Methodist Episcopal Church in Harlem when the Rev. Sweeney charged that "Communists of New York have invaded our Negro thought and life" and demanded "a new deal in Negro leadership."

Of this Richardson wrote:

"Rev. Sweeney has joined the ranks of reactionary anti-progress red baiters. I have watched Rev. Sweeney's pastorate in our community. It has been notable for its lack of progressive direction. . . . He must be aware of the fact that the most constructive leadership in New York comes from the Communists."

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National Drive On Tenn. Terror Charted Today

WASHINGTON, March 12.—A national campaign to end the lynch terror in Columbia, Tenn., will be launched here tomorrow by the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties and the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, CIO. The conference will be held at 1 p.m. at the YWCA, 17th and E Sts., N. W.

Representatives just back from Columbia will address the conference. They are James Dombrowski, executive secretary of the Southern Conference; Samuel Neuberger, attorney for the National Federation, and Homer Wilson, southern representative of the Mine, Mill and Smelter union.

ACW Sends \$100,000 to Thomas For GM Strikers; Pledges More

A check for \$100,000 was sent yesterday to the General Motors strikers by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America. In a covering letter, President Sidney Hillman, ACW president, declared the success of the General Motors strike is of vital importance to all organized labor.

Addressing George Addes, secretary-treasurer of the United Automobile Workers of America in Detroit, Mr. Hillman said that when he meets R. J. Thomas and Mr. Addes in Washington next weekend, he will discuss with them "any needs you may have for additional financial assistance."

The ACW General Executive Board yesterday voted an additional \$10,000 contribution to the United Farm Equipment Workers' Union, CIO, which is conducting a strike against the International

White Union Men Toured Columbia, Held Back Civilian Mob

By HARRY RAYMOND

COLUMBIA, Tenn., March 12.—One positive force here in the struggle against the deeply ingrained Jimcrow pattern that erupted on Feb. 25 into armed war against 3,000 Negro citizens is a small labor union.

That union—Local 546, Federal Chemical and Acid Workers of the Mine, Mill and Smelters, CIO—has inscribed on its banner the militant slogan of equal rights for the colored people.

As soon as the word was passed from neighbor to neighbor that a lynch mob had gathered in Court House Square bent on hanging Jimmy Stephenson, Navy war veteran, and his mother, individual white members of this union

moved through the countryside and the town speaking to excited individuals and groups warning them not to join in any action against the Negro community.

KEPT MOB DOWN

The action of these few individual white men is said to have had an effect in keeping the mob down to an estimated 50 to 75.

But local police under command of Chief Walter Griffin and machinegun-armed state highway patrolmen, led by State Safety Com-

missioner Lynn Bomar, tread in ground where the noisy Court House civilian mob hesitated to go. Word had got around that the Negro population might resist.

And when white faces peered through the blacked-out Negro business section and shots blazed from the vicinity of where these white men stood, a clatter of buck and bird shot came from another direction and struck in their midst. These white men, later identified as local police, retired picking shot out of their evil hides. A lynching was then and there averted.

A NAZI POGROM

What went on afterward—the mad rampage of shooting, looting and destruction of the Negro business section—by state highway patrolmen and guardsmen—was nothing more nor less than an American copy of Nazi storm troop action against a minority. Here the minority were Negroes.

The CIO men, who had exerted considerable influence among the civilian population, were not well enough organized or in sufficient numbers to avert the horrors perpetrated by the white men in uniform.

But these CIO men played an important role after these events. While certain townspeople were trying to talk up further action against the Negroes, the white CIO men were busy telling the true story of what happened to both white and Negro workers in the Armour, International Mine and Chemical and Virginia-Carolina chemical plants, phosphate enterprises organized by the CIO.

Reports from these plants, where

Tomorrow

James C. Stephenson, the young Negro lad who was defended against lynchers by the Negro residents of Columbia, Tenn., tells his story of the events that preceded the assault on the Tennessee Negro community.

Stephenson's factual, vivid account was given in a personal interview with Carl Hirsch, Daily Worker correspondent. The full interview will be published in tomorrow's issue.

Negro and white workers work side by side, and where they meet side by side without discrimination in union meetings with both white and colored officers, show they continued to work and associate on a friendly basis.

But in the Victor Chemical and the National Carbon plants, where the AFL Operating Engineers local Jimcrows the Negro in both union and job affairs, there was considerable talk about "going out and kill the Negroes."

There are white men in the AFL union, too, who did heroic work during the terrible days to keep the lynch violence from spreading. They are fighting to destroy the Jimcrow pattern of their organization. They are trusted friends of the Negroes, fighting by their side.

They told me they plan also to work to make the political weight of the people felt in the coming elections when State Highway Patrolman Flo Fleming, leader of the lynchers, will have his name on the ballot as candidate for Maury County Sheriff.



SIDNEY HILLMAN

PAC-endorsed candidate for City Council in the last election. He stayed inside the Spicer plant during the 1934 strike.

• Joe Ditzel, Norman Thomas Socialist who is a member of the executive board of the GM Chevrolet local here. He is Gosser's liaison with Reuther.

Gosser is an open advocate of Jimcrow.

"My staff is reserved for American white men," he told a questioner at a mass meeting here who asked why he stalled about putting a Negro on his organizing staff.

He told a delegation who visited him to demand support for upgrading a Negro: "You know that the white workers won't stand for that." Then he asked angrily: "What do you want to do—create race riots?"

He told another Negro delegation: "Goddamnit, I want you colored people to know that I am not afraid of your NAACP or your Mass Movement League or your local leaders..."

The Mass Movement League is a progressive, pro-labor Negro organization led by Councilman Simmons.

The UAW Fair Practices Committee held hearings in Toledo on complaints made against Gosser but the report is gathering dust in the files.

REUTHER SILENT

In seeking a UAW vice-presidency, Gosser now seeks to run the whole international along the strong-arm lines that he has used here. His control of Toledo is maintained through the continuation of Local 12 as an amalgamation of 40 shops with a total membership of about 40,000.

GM delegates to the UAW convention at Atlantic City opening March 22 may demand an explanation for Gosser's division of the \$1 assessment four ways instead of sending the entire amount to the union strike fund.

They should question his prison record, his Jimcrow policies, his goon rule, his praise from anti-labor newspapers, his association with doubtful characters and his settlement of wage contracts for 10-cent-an-hour wage increases.

UAW HEADQUARTERS BEGIN MOVING TO ATLANTIC CITY

DETROIT, March 12.—Headquarters staffs of the United Automobile Workers have begun transfer to Hotel Ambassador at Atlantic City where the tenth convention of the union will begin March 23.

Convention committees on resolutions, constitution and other problems are already beginning deliberations at the New Jersey resort city.

The convention promises to be the hottest in UAW history with the contest over the presidency between incumbent R. J. Thomas and vice-president Walter Reuther drawing

chief interest. (George Morris, labor editor of the Daily Worker will cover the Atlantic City convention for the Daily Worker and Worker.)

CIO Board to Meet In Washington Friday

WASHINGTON, March 12.—A meeting of the Executive Board of the CIO will be held here March 15. CIO President Philip Murray said that one of the principal problems before the meeting will be the General Motors strike.

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Inside the Auto Union:

Reutherite Gosser Cut GM Strike Aid

(Yesterday, Daily Worker correspondent William Allan exposed the criminal record of Richard Gosser, boss of the Toledo United Auto Workers, and pal of Walter Reuther, and how he has kept wage increases in that area down to a 10-cent level. Today Allan continues his report on Gosser's interesting career.)

By WILLIAM ALLAN

TOLEDO, O., March 12.—Richard Gosser, associate of Walter Reuther, who will ask the CIO United Auto Workers forthcoming convention to elect him to an international vice-presidency, blocked UAW locals here from giving all-out support to General Motors strikers. When the IEB proposed a \$1 voluntary assessment to help finance GM, Gosser proposed that the dollar be divided as follows: 25 cents to Toledo Chevrolet GM strikers; 25 cents to Local 12 strikers; 25 cents to non-striking units Local 12 and 25 cents to the international.

Gosser's explanation was: "We may have some strikes ourselves in Toledo."

He rules union elections here with a crew of goons who eject those who object bodily. In 1944, five girls were beaten up when they tried to distribute anti-Gosser literature at the Auto-Lite plant.

Protests against his rule reached the point where the IEB ordered a hearing but Gosser was whitewashed. At this hearing, Gosser admitted that he worked with Trotzkyites.

Gosser's close associates include: Clayton C. Rush, who runs a column in Gosser's paper, the Union Journal. He is head of PAC in Toledo and succeeded in preventing PAC endorsement of J. B. Simmons, Negro progressive, when he ran for City Council. Simmons was elected. Rush and Gosser withheld PAC endorsement of President

Roosevelt until protests to national offices forced it.

• Robert Burkhardt, editor of Spicer News, UAW paper at the Spicer plant. He sprinkles his publication with quotations from the Trotzkyite paper, The Militant. He supported John L. Lewis' strikes during the war.

• Hoot Gibson, who came to Toledo in 1934 from the Bergoff strikebreaking agency in Chicago to help break the Auto-Lite strike. Gibson was a bodyguard for C. O. Miniger, Auto-Lite Co. vice-president. He went to work at Overland in 1941 as a plant protection man, became a member of Local 12 and joined Gosser's forces.

• Edward Duck, member of the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists, a notorious supporter of Franco and an active member of the Young Nationalists who, in 1937, attacked steel workers' picket lines at Monroe, Mich.

• Ray Berning, Gosser strong-arm man, in 1937 was a leader of the Young Nationalists. He was called by the Lucas County Grand Jury and questioned as to membership in the Black Legion.

• Tom Burke, secretary of the Toledo Industrial Union Council and

The Labor Theater Is Being Born Again

By BETH McHENRY

Playwright Phil Harvey thinks that the cultural Left is beginning and the Theater Associates, of which he is a member, means to play a part in the renaissance.

Harvey, not long out of the Army, told us how Theater Associates got under way and what it means to do. He is one of six playwrights who are working nights and Sundays on one-act plays against an April 1 deadline. The group has a theater and the apparatus for production pretty well organized already.

"A few years back I worked in the Youth Workshop, a Young Communist League project," he recalled. "We did a lot of work and were anxious to keep going—but like a lot of other people we lost our way and our project went under. Not long ago I ran into a couple of the people who had

been in that YCL theater group and we started talking, discovering we were all anxious to get a labor theater started again. The net result was that we got a group of six people together to meet regularly, mapping out plans for the theater we intend to launch in the next short while."

Phil Harvey is young, 32. He has been an actor, a director and has written plays—many of them for the social theater of a few years back. In turn he associated with Theater Union Current Theater and the Associated Workers Clubs.

He thinks the Theater Left went to pot because the people in it were not vigilant enough in weeding out elements bent upon destroying it and also not persistent enough in their efforts to keep it alive.

"You take the New Theater Magazine," he said. "There was

no good reason for that folding. It just went because the people had lost their desire to keep it going. It went under with everything else."

He thinks the answer, of course, is an overall Labor Theater which will draw into a national body all of the mushroom small theater groups now springing up. As for Theater Associates, he said he was certain he spoke for his co-workers when he said that their great hope was a big venture with a school and road troupes and the best writers, directors, artists and actors in the business. It can and must be a paying venture, he said. This time, he said, we can't let go.

His fellows in the Theater Associates include Kenneth Forrest, David Litner, Jay Zimmet, Lawrence Barth and Bea Roth. All are working on scripts for one-act plays, the best of which will be

shown at the Theater's opening, together with revivals of other one-act plays, probably *Hymn to the Rising Sun* and *Private Hicks*.

Harvey said the demands upon a labor theater would include the means to produce things that playwrights long to write and at the same time provide a living for serious writers and actors who don't really want to go to Hollywood or anywhere else, but would like to be able to work where they could fulfill their talents to the utmost.

Harvey himself is a New Yorker who has piled a variety of trades, making a living while he worked at writing nights. He has always loved the theater, can't remember a time when he did not want to write and direct. In the Army Engineers Corps his back was broken during a training course. He now has a job as a newspaper-



PHIL HARVEY

man, to keep him eating, while he plans and works with the Theater Associates.

Letters from Our Readers

Suggests Analysis Of Egri's Book

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It's hard to keep quiet when such stirring literary feuds are scattering buckshot around!

May I butt in just enough to suggest that right now would be a good time for you to do a rather thorough analytical piece on Lajos Egri's *How to Write a Play*? It was brought out in 1942, in the midst of the war, by Simon & Schuster, and its author, as you know, teaches in the Jefferson School.

The reason I suggest this is that there are two obvious questions that the current discussion ought to seek answers to:

(1) Can working class writers consciously produce their works in the interest of the class to which they belong? This is really the old "art versus propaganda" battle that the John Reed clubs fought out, except that today you have rephrased it and raised it to a higher level, removed it from sectarianism and at the same time heightened critical class-consciousness.

(2) Can working class writers out of Marxism itself develop technical soul-engineering aids in the production of their works? It is this second question which is usually neglected, and it is just

this question to which Egri tries to form a positive answer. (As Garaudy said, "The party expects its intellectuals to be militants," but "it is no longer just a question of fighting: they must create.")

The main difficulty that might confront Egri is the danger of being mechanical, too doctrinaire, because of his very effort to apply his analysis to concrete aims in order to be "helpful" right away to young writers. But he's suggesting and stimulating.

OAKLEY JOHNSON.

Warns Of Dogmatism

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I was very glad to read Isador Schneider's contribution to the controversy over Albert Maltz's article. It is time that we understand that we are dealing with a serious Marxist issue, one which cannot be easily dismissed by labeling and name-calling.

Too many of the replies formulated by Sam Sillen, Mike Gold and Joe North were of a dogmatic nature, and I think we must beware of such an approach. We should welcome the fact that Albert Maltz has opened the flow of discussion on the question of Marxism and Culture, a subject long in need of deep analysis.

The Editors welcome your opinions and contributions to this page. Due to lack of space letters should be limited to 150 words so as to permit the printing of as many as possible. Please include full name and address with your letters. We will withhold names upon request.

Above all, we must not instill an atmosphere which will inhibit this kind of discussion around any issue.

I personally feel that the major portions of Albert Maltz's criticisms were legitimate, despite the fact that the entire Communist movement was not guilty of them. Many of the dogmatisms which Maltz criticizes were most strongly advanced during the Browder period, and I think that the very atmosphere of free discussion which Maltz engendered is what has been lacking in our party for many years.

I. SILBER.

Study of Lenin Will Help Writers

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The discussion of the role of left wing writer now taking place in The Worker and the Daily Worker as a result of Albert Maltz's article in the New Masses is timely. The Editorial Board of The Worker and Daily Worker are to be congratulated on giving space to such a discussion. If it will but spur an interest in the

study and practice of Marx, Lenin and Stalin it will serve a purpose. The present left wing writers would do well to read some of Lenin's classics.

In his pamphlet, *Will the Bolsheviks Retain State Power?* Lenin answers all arguments of his opponents from the results of the elections in the Soviets, and then proceeds to show how the new state apparatus will take power and how it will be reinforced and from where the new forces will come. He uses sarcasm and humor in a dry, yet effective manner. Now it seems to me that all left wing literature, yes, even in the present discussion, suffers from lack of any humor or satire. Therefore, it is my honest opinion that no left wing writer can be successful and ignore the humorous events that take place in a worker's life.

D. CASSIDY.

Daily Clarifies Issues to People

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In a recent issue of The Worker, George Morris, speaking of American workers, says: "The fact is that confidence in capitalism has fallen very much in recent months." This statement accurately reflects the opinions of many New York East Side people

whom I contact while canvassing with The Worker. I hear, "I know there's something wrong, but what can I do about it?" We take them the answer in The Worker and in concrete measures like the Ferguson case petitions, etc.

One woman said, "My husband is always talking about the Soviet Union." Well, I returned later when he was home and sold them a Worker sub. No one had ever been there before for that purpose.

When one sees on the table of a worker copies of the Forward and the Mirror, or the Daily News and Novy Swiat, providing the "cup of anti-Soviet poison day in and day out" (to quote from a recent Daily Worker letter), it is clear that we must bring the American people the clarity of Marxism through the pages of the Daily and Sunday Worker.

HELEN EDWARDS.

Artists Cannot Be Limited

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

As Mike Gold has said of a poet, any creative artist has his part to play in the revolutionary movement, and he can do it in his own way. To limit the ways in which he can do it in one way, is to limit art and the artist.

To expect an artist to pour himself into a world adjusted to produce left-wing artists, to fit the bill as specified generally by well-meaning but not so well-informed comrades who feel that what they are used to and understand readily is good art, is unfair.

Certainly an artist is responsible to the working class for what he thinks and how he acts. But also the audience to whom the artist addresses himself in this 20th century is guilty of flabbiness of at least some corners of the mind, if it does not recognize its responsibility to him in offering a receptive attitude and trying to keep up with him.

There is room for new forms in art in the left wing movement, and I don't mean any infantile disorders. We must re-educate comrades who are backward in the understanding of art as we must educate those other members of the working class who admittedly know nothing about art because those art teachers in the public school system whom they met never gave them a chance at understanding or else thoroughly indoctrinated them in accepting reactionary or poor standards of art.

M. DOUGLAS.

Let's Face It

IT is tough to imagine anything more cold-blooded than the smug argument of a New York Times editor, who doubtless lives in a swank home, to the effect that since demand is determined by ability to pay, the prices of homes ought to be allowed to go up.

In other words, let the price of a home rise to \$100 a month. That will effectively reduce the demand of our veterans for homes!

Demand determined by ability to pay! The million-odd vets who have come back to crowded apartments, who are living doubled or triple up, who cannot adjust to their families because there is no privacy and because their kids are farmed out, who are forced to take hotel rooms if they can get them and can pay hotel prices—all these will have no "demand" for a place to live if rents and prices are made too high for them to pay!

Such is the method of a Times editor for "solving" the housing shortage.

The argument is used to justify the killing the subsidy proposed in the Wyatt program for 2,700,000 low-cost homes for vets in the next two years. Admittedly, even with this program all the vets who will need homes will not get them, but it is a far more ambitious home-building program than the country has ever before seen.

by Max Gordon

By killing the subsidy provision, the Republican-politax bloc has made it virtually impossible to get the houses built at any price the veterans can pay.

That, of course, is the aim of the powerful lobby of real estate vultures who are behind the crippling of the program. They are not in the slightest interested in whether the veterans have homes. In fact, they are dead set against their having homes. The housing shortage is a godsend to them and they intend to keep it as bad as they can.

They have even denounced as "Communistic" the plan to use demountable war housing in the emergency. It might ease the shortage slightly.

THEY have done a few other things to the program through their ever-willing Republican and Southern Democratic congressional agents. By cutting out the provision for price ceilings on old houses, they have extended a cordial invitation to speculators to take over the field, and have actually eliminated all price ceilings.

Thus, a speculator will buy a new house under arrangements with the builder, at ceiling price. Since it is no longer a "new" house, he can sell it at any price he sees fit. Because of the shortage, you may be sure that price will be mighty high. He will share the

quick profit—gotten at the expense of the veteran—with the builder, and price control be damned.

The congressional reactionaries have cut out the premium payments for extra production, which Wyatt considers a basic part of the whole program. Also, by providing that price ceilings must be set to ensure a "reasonable" profit, the \$6,000 homes Wyatt envisioned are ruled out.

IT IS astounding that reaction would dare to do this to our vets. Where are all the promises made to them? In the name of "private enterprise," they have been kicked overboard and the vets left with the prospect of homelessness not for a temporary period but for years to come. As if readjustment to peacetime living were not tough enough! As if the sacrifices already made were not enough!

The "private enterprise" talk is, of course, hokum. It is the usual cover-up for the demand for unlimited profits.

The provisions knocked out of the Wyatt program in the House can still be restored in the Senate. If that happens, there will be a struggle between conferees of the House and Senate to decide whether they remain.

This fight can be won only if the indignation of the people, and especially the vets, is expressed in the most dramatic fashion possible. A repetition of the "bonus march" of 1932 is on the order of the day.

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The Betrayal of Spain

THE State Department has granted a notorious fascist murderer—Francisco Franco—a further lease on life, another reprieve.

That is the blunt meaning of the U. S. refusal to join with France and the Soviet Union in bringing the Spanish question before the Security Council.

We cannot intervene in Spain's internal affairs, says the State Department and the British Foreign office . . . we don't want the suffering people of Spain to face any more bloodshed. . . . Oh yes! But when it comes to armed intervention in democratic Greece, there is no such compunction. When it comes to assassination of Indonesians, there are no such regrets.

Consider the effect of American and British inaction:

1. Franco is permitted and even encouraged to go on murdering heroic Spanish underground fighters like Cris-tino Garcia.
2. Franco is permitted to build his armed forces, to consolidate his regime, to connive at restoring the monarchy.
3. Spain is allowed to remain a depot for fascists all over Europe and Latin America, a base for pressure upon democratic France and the emerging democracy in Italy. Not to mention its effect on Latin America.
4. Franco is strengthened with all those forces around him that might otherwise break away. Stick with me, he says, the Allies don't dare do a thing.

The American and British position is not only a betrayal of the universal popular demand to oust Franco, but it is a piece of monstrous hypocrisy. The two most powerful western nations say the people of Spain must oust Franco themselves. At the same time, they maintain diplomatic relations and do a flourishing business with Franco—in oil, cotton, machinery, and even arms. Is this the way to help the people of Spain?

No one asks today that British or American armies oust Franco; nobody wants civil war. But when our country rejects international pressure upon Franco and possible Security Council action, it only makes an armed struggle within Spain inevitable. The burden of liberation is placed entirely on the people of Spain, who have no perspective left but armed battle.

And by refusing to join in Security Council discussion and action, the State Department makes a mockery of the UNO itself. What is the world organization for, after all, if not to deal with centers of fascism like Franco Spain?

Read the Price Tags

ECONOMIC STABILIZER CHESTER BOWLES could have saved himself the trouble of issuing 10,000 words of "clarification" on the latest wage-price order.

The new price tags that his office is putting on everything from pins to automobiles, are far more clear.

On the very day his 92 questions and answers appeared in the newspapers, lower-priced clothing was marked up on the theory that if manufacturers are given an inducement they will stop hoarding these goods. The CIO revealed that the markup will actually raise the price of clothing by 20 percent.

On the next day, the favors were handed out to automobile companies. Some days earlier the meatpackers and dairy companies received theirs.

Our "stabilizers" should stop kidding the people with such claims as were made by Mr. Bowles in his answer to his question No. 5, that the wage-price policy "will not mean a new higher level of prices." It might as well be admitted now that the policy is one of snatching away, via the price line, the wage raises now being won.

The administration is obviously not going to hold the line and force industry to cut its wartime profit level.

If the administration yielded somewhat to labor on wages, it was in face of the strength shown in the strikes. The same strength and fighting spirit must now be swung behind the demand for real price control. The people must cry out everywhere for an end to this policy of appeasing the profit hogs.

It should also be realized that the new wage-price order, as so strongly emphasized by Bowles, does not provide anything automatically to anybody. Workers first establish their claim for a raise through a struggle with the employer. Only when that battle is won does the stabilization board pass upon a raise and the employer's claim for price "relief."

This is why President Philip Murray, in his call to all CIO affiliates, warns that unless labor wages a struggle to maintain price control and extends unionization to the unorganized, the wage victories are endangered.

THE HOLD-UP



Between the Lines

Is America's Security Imperiled?

by Joseph Starobin

(First of a Series)
IF YOU have a minute's time some evening this week, you can learn a good deal about what's wrong with American-Soviet relations—just by looking at a map of the world.

Buy a box of thumb-tacks and put one down wherever American (or British) troops are stationed. Then do the same for the spots where Soviet troops are stationed.

If 130,000,000 Americans were to do that, and if they thought through the meaning of the results, maybe the big newspapers, the excited radio commentators, the truculent Senators and visiting firemen like Churchill would not make so much headway.

The map will show that the Pacific Ocean has already been converted into a virtual American lake. Our troops will be found from Alaska to Japan to southern Korea to northern China, down through the Philippines and on almost every island formerly in Japan's empire. And there are still troops in Australia, in French New Caledonia, and further west—in India.

Dozens of Bases On 'Friendly Soil'

In the Middle East you would find that we have only now evacuated southern Iran, but are still stationed in Eritrea on the Red Sea and in Egypt. Apart from the occupation of southern Germany and Austria, American soldiers are spread out in Italy (and of course, Trieste), in France, and we still have bases in Iceland and Greenland.

The United States has an active military agreement with Canada (now engaged in unusual explorations of the Arctic). And our troops are flung out through the Caribbean, as far south as Brazil on the east coast, and off the Galapagos Islands on the west.

I've probably left out dozens of smaller bases. Many spots may have few troops but they are active strategic positions, which American naval vessels and air-

planes regularly visit. And most of these bases are not in enemy or former enemy territory. They are on the soil of supposedly sovereign nations.

No Soviet Network

On the other hand, you will find that Soviet troops in Europe are stationed primarily in former enemy lands. The exceptions are Bornholm island in the Baltic and Poland, from which Soviet troops are systematically withdrawing, or where they are in transit to Germany. There are Soviet troops in northern Iran, but their withdrawal is now being negotiated and Soviet troops in Manchuria, already withdrawing except for positions established by treaty.

It can be shown that while the Dardanelles are just as vital to Soviet Russia as the Panama Canal is to the United States, no Soviet troops are stationed there. There are none in Japan, and none in all the countries of western Europe or throughout key areas of the Mediterranean, the Indian Ocean or the Pacific. And none in Latin America.

Include in this picture the far-flung network of British bases, add them to the American network, and you can easily imagine that the Soviet peoples are the ones who ought to be raising the alarm, worrying about Anglo-

American expansionism, fearful of what their Allies are up to.

After all, no Russian troops ever invaded us. But every Russian remembers that 14 different armies invaded their soil after the last war.

The truth is that the United States is not in danger from anybody today. If anything, it is the United States which is endangering other peoples by a subtle combination of military occupation, and world-wide economic and strategic penetration.

The USSR, A Good Neighbor

Surely, there is no world-wide network of Soviet bases, no Soviet airplanes traversing the entire globe, no constant infiltration of other nations by missions of Soviet business and financial leaders. There is none of that because there are no imperialists in Soviet Russia at all!

Equally interesting, the cry against "Soviet expansionism" does not come from countries which are close neighbors to the USSR like Norway or Czechoslovakia. The cry is not heard in India which has a long, though mountainous, border a short distance from the USSR. It does not come from France or from Italy. In fact, no Latin American nation—there are 20 of them in the hemisphere are as wor-

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Worth Repeating

R. Palme Dutt discussing the nature of capitalism says: "What prevents capitalism from carrying out the solution universally proposed by all the myriad schools of reformers of capitalism—i.e., the general raising of the standards of the workers to a point compatible with the consumption of the increased production alongside higher profits for the capitalists? The answer why capitalism is unable to carry out this apparently simple solution, but is, in fact, actively engaged in carrying out the opposite, lies in the whole character of capitalism. The reformists dream of grafting on to the capitalist mode of production an entirely different and incompatible system of distribution only reveals its advocates' failure to understand the elementary workings of capitalism and the necessary conditions of the capitalist mode of production." P. 40, *Fascism and Social Revolution*.

Churchill's Talk Echoes Across Rhine

By HANS BERGER

The significance of Winston Churchill's speech for the future of Germany has perhaps been overlooked. Yet the cry that the Soviet Union and the Communists are a "danger" to the world is helping German imperialism.

Everything Hitler was preaching for years against the Soviet Union and Communists is today repeated by the so-called democratic statesmen of the western powers.

All the speculations of the Nazis on a split between the USSR and its allies during the war—which came to nought—are being stimulated anew.

It is no exaggeration to say that American and British imperialism have now become the major obstacles to the democratization of Germany. They are the major factor in keeping alive the ideas of the German Nazis and imperialists.

American and British policy is now making it harder for the German anti-fascists to eliminate the Hitler poison. Every ounce of this poison removed is being replaced

twice over by the American and British propaganda line about the Soviet Union.

ENVISAGE NEW WAR

The Nazi imperialists and Junkers—mainly unmolested in the western zones—are now speculating with their Social Democrats, they envisage a war between the USSR and the western powers, with the Germans fighting for the latter.

Thus, we must conclude that the occupation of Germany by the imperialist powers no longer has anything to do with democratizing her. Its main purpose is to prevent the uprooting of German imperialism.

A Germany which would under no circumstances fight against the Soviet Union, which would be a bulwark of peace in the center of

Europe, instead of offering potential Landsknechte for war, no longer fits into American-British plans.

Such a Germany becomes in the eyes of the imperialists "a Russian-dominated Germany," a "fellow-traveler" nation. It becomes the kind of Germany that Rep. Rankin would be quick to "investigate."

In this light, we must interpret the British and American policy of preventing a merger of the German Social Democratic and Communist parties. What they wish to do is to keep the working class divided, to prevent the emergence of that powerful democratic force which alone can complete the democratic revolution.

And to prevent this, it must be said that an American and British alliance already exists. It's not simply a matter of British and American authorities being unable to resist these Social Democratic leaders in Germany who want to

fight under "western flags" against all the peoples of Europe and the USSR.

ATTRACTED TO GERMAN "BEVINS"

The American and British authorities are themselves attracted to the German "Bevins": they seek them out, protect and encourage them. They see in them the "democratic" organizers of anti-Soviet crusades.

With such a policy, it's clear how the occupation authorities inevitably come into conflict with the growing numbers of German workers, Communists, Socialists who are learning the lessons of the past mistakes.

The occupation is bound to become more repressive against the genuine anti-fascists, who do not intend to become pawns of another war. The arrest of 12 German Communists in Berlin by the western occupation powers shows where all of Churchill's advice is heading.

Therefore, honest American and British democrats ought to be urging the German workers to unite, to merge their strength, to learn from the past and avenge the past. Only as such united strength of the German working class is entrenched in every factory, every community will it be possible to dispel confusion and spread enlightenment among the German masses. Only then will it be possible to eliminate the traditional German bestiality.

The question is posed before the entire world: Shall Germany become a democratic nation at last or a strategic base for Churchill's war axis?

Will the great mass of Germans be brought into the camp of peace, progress and democracy, or into the war camp of the American and British imperialists?

These are questions for American to answer, especially our trade union movement, which must (for its own future) pay much more attention to events in Germany.

Former Manila Consul Warns U.S. Shielding Collaborators

Collaborationist Manuel Roxas may win the Philippine presidency in the April 23 elections because General MacArthur "liberated" him and "Washington has not effected an examination of his activities when serving under the Japanese."

This warning is voiced today in the Far Eastern Survey by Monroe Hall, who was American Consul in Manila from March to September, 1945.

"If, without due investigation," Hall writes, "Roxas becomes President of the Philippines and others who served under the Japanese fill high posts, the United States will be bitterly blamed by many thoughtful Filipinos. There will be more serious repercussions throughout East Asia."

Hall traces Roxas' career—his membership in the pro-Japanese cabinet, his appointment to active duty as brigadier general in MacArthur's headquarters, his "election" to the Senate presidency.

"Emboldened by the 'liberation' of

Roxas, former collaborators and unscrupulous politicians soon crowded forward," the report explains. "With him, they resumed their seats in the Senate and the House. In the Senate they formed an absolute majority. In the House they showed their strength by electing their candidate as speaker.

"According to reliable reports, Roxas' principal backer is Col. Andres Soriano, who was Gen. Franco's official representative to the Philippines during the Spanish civil war and chief contributor in the Islands to Franco's war chest.

"President [Sergio] Osmeña still controls a considerable part of the

remnants of the old Nacionalista Party and he will probably receive the support of the guerrillas and liberals in the presidential elections.

Although they consider Osmeña weak and too conservative, they regard the defeat of Roxas as the most important consideration.

"Support of Osmeña by the guerrillas and liberals will not necessarily mean that Roxas will be defeated, because of the economic and financial power of the latter's supporters.

"Presumably the charge of collaboration will be used against Roxas in the campaign but as Gen. MacArthur 'liberated' him and as Washington has not effected an examination of his activities when serving under the Japanese, the charge may not ensure defeat."

HECKLERS ROUTED AT POLISH PATRIOTIC MEETING HERE

Efforts of the Polish American pro-fascist KNAPP to disrupt a meeting honoring Thaddeus Kosciusko were rebuffed by an audience of 1,300 at Washington Irving High School Sunday.

Organized hecklers, who booed all mention of Soviet-American-Polish friendship, were told off by Polish Consul Jan Galewicz, an outstanding Jewish leader of the Polish underground.

"You people who yell and scream," he said, "what right have you to talk of Poland's destiny? Did you rot in concentration camp? Did you see your relatives buried alive? Did you see Maidanek, Tremblin and Owiencin? Did you sabotage under

the eyes of the Nazis? Did you fight in the cold forests? Did you hear the cries of the children whose blood was robbed to bring back life to a Nazi beast?"

"What right have you to talk? We suffered, we fought and we are deciding the kind of Poland we want."

Speakers who paid tribute to Kosciusko, the great fighter for American and Polish independence who was born 200 years ago, included Leo Krzycki, president of the American Slav Congress; Eugene Rosadowski, Consul-General of Poland, and Boleslaw Gebert, chairman of the IWO Polonia Society, which sponsored the meeting.

FOREIGN BRIEFS

UNDER MACARTHUR'S RULE: A column of 2,000 Chinese and others demonstrated in front of the Soviet Embassy in Tokyo. Demonstrators, many dressed in old Japanese army uniforms, distributed handbills proclaiming: "We must all stand up and drive the enemy out of our fatherland."

ROMANIAN UNITY: A congress of the Romanian Social Democratic Party voted 32 to 29 for a joint electoral bloc with the Communist Party.

TUDEH SCORES: The right-wing-dominated Iranian Parliament didn't get a chance to prolong its

existence. Three thousand members of the democratic Tudeh Party, demonstrating outside, kept a quorum from gathering. . . . Now Premier Ahmad Ghavam will run practically singlehanded until elections are held.

ANTI-SMUTS: The South African Labor and Communist Parties have united against Premier Jan C. Smuts' Unionist Party in a Cape-town by-election. A New York Times dispatch said: "Hitherto Labor . . . has been content to straddle the fence. Communist policy is more definite, calling for suppression of all vested interests and the abolition of the color bar."

Orientation: If you've been wondering what has happened to the Army's political orientation program in Germany, perhaps this scene may satisfy you. Lt. Col. Joseph S. Eaton, a dancing teacher in civilian life, is shown teaching the rhumba at a Frankfurt Red Cross club.

Plea by Jews In Italy Camps

The central committee of the Organization of Jewish Refugees in Italy, which represents all the 15,000 refugees there, has formally requested the Anglo-American Commission of Inquiry on Palestine to visit Italy and examine the conditions under which they are forced to live.

In a communication to the Commission, the committee asserts Italy is considered only a temporary haven by the refugees, who are living mostly in camps, and they also resist the possibility of returning to the countries of their origin.

The committee adds that the members of its organization "have not ceased to hope that the civilized world will help re-establish them in a free and normal society."

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PURIM CELEBRATION at the School of Jewish Studies, Saturday, March 16, 8:30 p.m., 13 Astor Place, seventh floor. The program will consist of Purim Songs by Ruth Rubin, an analysis of the history of the holiday by Harry Kessler, a Purim sketch by students, recitations, Hamentashen and coffee. Adm. 35¢.

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Kingdon Is Boomed For N. J. Governor

Special to the Daily Worker

TRENTON, March 12.—The movement to run Dr. Frank Kingdon, liberal radio commentator, for governor of New Jersey gained impetus from the recent annual convention of the New Jersey Independent Citizens League, which Kingdon heads.

Delegates staged several "draft Kingdon" ovations during the day.

Kingdon, at the convention, lashed out against both major parties and condemned President Truman for handing all his cabinet posts to the South. He said the President had been "behaving like a small town politician."

The Kingdon candidacy has been endorsed by the CIO councils of Essex, Hudson and Camden counties, representing two-thirds of the Jersey CIO membership.

During the convention, however, Carl Holderman, State CIO president, who earlier made it clear that he opposes independent political action, stalked from the platform after Kingdon castigated his refusal to take a stand against the Hague and Edge machines.

Amsterdam News on Strike

Workers at the Amsterdam News, Harlem weekly, yesterday walked out after months of fruitless efforts to get the management to comply with the CIO Newspaper Guild contract. Approximately 50 workers are involved.

The Guild charged that the management had downgraded workers in violation of the agreement, refusing to accept agreed minimums based on length of experience, and had discharged employee Gladys McDonald for Guild activity. One employee, Constance Curtis, was told she had been fired and rehired on a job paying \$17.50 less weekly, the Guild said.

MISSOURI, DETROIT PARLEYS BACK BROWDER EXPULSION

Special to the Daily Worker

ST. LOUIS, March 12.—The expulsion of Earl Browder was greeted by the Missouri State Party building conference held here last week.

Seventy State Committee members and officers unanimously endorsed the decision and said:

"We consider Browderism as an instrument of the bourgeoisie aimed to cheat the American people and toilers of other lands out of the fruits of anti-fascist victory. Browder revisionism is the 1946 edition of Kautsky - Bernstein - McDonald-Hillquism aimed to disarm the workingclass and thus help to

strengthen the weakened position of world imperialism in general and American imperialism in particular."

The state organization also voted "renewed vigor and struggle" for building the party with a pledge to recruit 250 new members from industrial, Negro, youth and veterans groups.

DETROIT, March 12.—A citywide Communist membership meeting on Party building endorsed the expulsion of Earl Browder and proposed recruiting 600 new Communists by June 15. It was also proposed to raise \$10,000 by July 4.

Is America's Security Imperiled?

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ried as the United States about alleged danger from Russia.

The outcry comes from the United States even though American imperialists are today engaged in the biggest and most successful expansionism of their history.

It comes from Tory Britishers like Churchill, though British soldiers are suppressing independence movements all over the world, though the British Empire has gained territory in this war—as in Italian north Africa and in Italian Somaliland. It comes from a false Socialist, like Ernest Bevin.

Does American security require all these bases, all this super-fleet of battleships and airplanes, all this girdling of the globe with potential carriers of the atomic bomb?

Sauce for the Goose Is Sauce for the Gander

We distinguish between Americans as a people and American imperialists; the American people existed before the rise of the giant monopolistic companies and will outlive the system which these companies represent.

Today, many American educators and military government officials are engaged in explaining to the Germans and the Japanese that there is a distinction between their existence as peoples and their imperialisms. If this advice is true for them, it should be true for us.

After all, the British Empire has girdled the globe with bases

In Memoriam

ROSENFIELD, Isidore—In memory of our beloved husband, father and comrade, died March 13, 1945—Sophie, Hilda and Hel.

(Continued Tomorrow)

White Teen-Agers Bust Jimcrow

H. S. Students Force Retraction of Ban on Negro Teacher

Special to the Daily Worker

MILWAUKEE, Wisc., March 12.—Students of the Shorewood High School, with the support of local citizens, struck a resounding blow against Jimcrow when they recently forced Homer S. Hemenway, Superintendent of Schools, to withdraw his policy of refusal to hire Negro teachers.

Shorewood, is a "gold coast" suburb of Milwaukee. It has a population of 15,000. There is known to be only one Negro family there. There are no Negro students in the high school. Yet 90 percent of the student body voted in favor of a Negro teacher despite the obvious opposition of the prejudiced school board.

Hemenway first attempted to put over his Jimcrow policy last year, when John H. Jackson, Negro graduate of Milwaukee State Teachers college served as substitute in social sciences while he was a senior at the college. Jackson was recommended by the college as the best qualified person available to teach the subject.

At that time a poll conducted in

Jackson's class of 50 students, revealed that only 5 voiced objections to having a Negro teacher.

Hemenway then attempted, early this year, to persuade the Shorewood School Board to adopt his policy, but was unsuccessful. He announced last week that he would personally take responsibility for the ban on Negro teachers.

The protest from the student body was immediate and swept throughout the school. The Milwaukee-American Youth for Democracy issued a leaflet to all the students, followed by a petition circulated throughout the school demanding the rescinding of the Jimcrow edict. The student council conducted a poll among the students on Wednesday, March 6, which resulted in a 90 percent vote in opposition to Hemenway's attempt to

foist Jimcrow upon the high school.

The following morning, Hemenway issued a statement withdrawing his ban on Negro teachers, giving as his reason that he had just discovered his ruling was a violation of the Fair Employment Practices Act of Wisconsin, and paying tribute to Jackson as a competent and efficient teacher.

H. Harmon Rauch, director of the Fair Employment Division of Wisconsin Industrial Commission, announced that Hemenway's action would be investigated and a report made to Gov. Goodland.

Other developments which opened up a big discussion among students and citizens in Shorewood is the resignation of Grant Rahn, principal of Shorewood High School for 16 years in protest against the Board of Education's interference with the Schools. In this letter of resignation, Mr. Rahn cited as one of his reasons, an order given to him never to employ a Negro as a substitute teacher.

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Dodger Lineup Boasts
TNT Potential
By Bill Mardo

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.—Reckon my Church Ave. neighbors would lynch me to the highest hydrant in Flatbush, if I didn't make mention of Our Bums before departing from the Sunny Southland.

To be quite fair—the Dodgers don't look nearly as bummy as Willard Mullin's classic tramp cartoon would have you believe.

Leave us face it, folks, them Dodgers have potential power aplenty this year. Don't be misled by the meager total of 15 hits in three games against big league competition that the Brooklyners have racked up thus far. The boys have yet to mesh their batting gears—but when they do, the explosion is gonna be heard from here clear to Bedford Ave. I gained some indication last week of the stickwork TNT the club boasts—when it ran over the futile Athletics here at City Island Park by the lopsided score of 13-4. It was the fifth inning of a rather uninspired game, when suddenly the Flock unleashed an outburst that would have been ample reason to declare a national holiday in Brooklyn had the attack occurred at the Brooklyn ball park.

Big Jack Graham started it off with a tremendous drive up against the deep centerfield wall for a triple and his third hit of the afternoon. Beefy Don Padgett chugged up to the plate and parked one to the same spot for another three-bagger. Pee wee Reese slashed a clean single over the second-base bag... and Brother Augie Galan barraged a 315-foot home run that cleared the rightfield fence. Up stepped Gene Hermanski, and the Blond Bomber careened a double just a few feet shy of the wall.

After the mad symphony had finally subsided, chunky Branch Rickey, Jr., leaned over and drawled rather contentedly to the pressbox witnesses: "Well, boys, I guess we've all seen some power this inning." Nobody denied the obvious—just as it was impossible not to observe that the Padgett, Hermanski and Graham drives would have been certain homers in Ebbets Field.

Oh yes, Our Bums are strong 'uns this season—regardless of the rather rough time they've been having at the plate since the game to which I refer to went into the books.

Now that powerful Pete Reiser has ended his holdout siege, you can look for the Dodger outfield jigsaw puzzle to straighten itself out. Goody Rosen has been holding down Pistol Pete's spot in the centerfield garden—but nobody doubts that Goody has been playing on borrowed time. Though Rosen tapped last year's wartime hurling at a .325 clip, he doesn't stand much chance of being used for more than utility purposes this semester now that Reiser's back. As I see it, the hard-hitting Flatbush outfield should shape up thusly by opening day: Reiser in centerfield; powerful Gene Hermanski in right, and the reliable Augie Galan holding down the leftfield slot.

It's no secret that Branch Rickey is over a barrel concerning the recently-signed Dixie Walker. Dixie is the most popular guy with the fans that the club has—but old Dixie isn't the player he used to be and at his age, doesn't figure to help the team's chances in more than sporadic fashion. Walker'll need lots of resting during the hot summer stretch, maybe sooner, but Rickey is perturbed over the reaction his shelving of Dixie is going to have with the cash customers.

Pee wee Reese is toting far too much weight on his tiny frame. The little wonder-boy weighs 175 pounds now, in contrast to the 157 he used to tip the beams at before entering the service. Funny thing is that Pee wee prefers to stay at his present weight. But it'll never work out. The tip-off was that inside-the-park Homer that Reese unloaded here in the first inning against the As. Pee wee was dead on his feet as he rounded second base, and practically pooped when he staggered those last few steps toward home plate.

The kid just can't carry all that poundage and hope to be as fast as in the old days.

Stan Rojek isn't having an easy time of it learning the second-base trade. The converted shortstop is slightly confused at his new spot, and methinks Ed Stanky doesn't have too much to worry about if only he can add a few points to b. a. By the same token, slugging Jack Graham doesn't compare to Stretch Schultz as a fancy-danner at first base... but the Montreal product hits for mileage and gets it too. So, while he's not quite the artist one would like to see at the initial sack—Graham may very well take over Schultz's job because the Dodgers just can't ignore his type of power in the lineup.

Billy Herman, still a beautiful guy to watch at third, is one of the biggest question marks on the club. Can the 36-year-old vet hold up for another season? If his legs could talk, they'd supply the answer... But meanwhile, Cookie Lavagetto is putting in plenty of work just in case.

That's not a bad-looking infield the Dodgers'll have this year, providing the breaks don't forsake them entirely. Graham and Schulte alternating at first; Stanky and Rojek sharing the second-base bag; the imitable Pee wee Reese at short, and Billy Herman at third—with Lavagetto ready to step in and take over whenever Herman needs a breather.

Not a bad infield setup at all.

But that Dodger mound corps, that's a different problem... and one we'll take up elsewhere on this page.

And now, me hearties, it's All Aboard for Home. Of which there is no other place quite like.

TANNENBAUM COPS AWARD

Sid Tanenbaum, New York University's junior guard, and an all-Met first team selection for the past three years, was further honored today by the New York Basketball Writers Association by being voted the Lt. Frank C. Haggerty Award, symbolic of the city's "most valuable player," for the 1945-46 season. The choice was almost unanimous.

By just as decisive a margin, George Mikan, DePaul's great senior center, was presented the Gold Star Award as the "Most outstanding visiting player to appear in New York." This is the second season for the Gold Star presentation.

Robinson at Bat



Here's the way Jackie Robinson looks standing at the plate for the Montreal Royals at the Daytona training camp.

The first Negro in modern organized baseball, Robinson is working hard to win a berth with the Dodger farm team.

What with the overloaded shortstop roster both at Brooklyn and Montreal—the talented Negro athlete realized full well the hard job ahead of him.

"I'm here to do my very best," Robinson says.

The former UCLA gridiron star and all-around athlete, has impressed watchers at the Montreal camp with his great speed running the bases and covering the shortstop hole. Robinson has unleashed some really long distance clouts during batting practice—and as his .349 average with the Kansas City Monarchs last year proves, he's a dangerous man with the hickory in his hands.

It's obvious that Branch Rickey desperately needs as many twir-

Wright Could Help Dodger Mound Crew

Special to the Daily Worker

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., March 12.—The soft-spoken, almost shy Negro twirler is one of the hardest workers here in the Montreal camp. Every day you'll see Johnny Wright running around the ballpark a dozen or more times to get his legs hardened; then it's a pepper-game; and finally some intensive drilling along with the other Royal mound prospects in the essential art of covering first-base.

John Wright, you know, hasn't had the benefit of winter ball like Jackie Robinson—and so he's being most careful in rushing himself for a serious turn on the mound.

When the New Orleans-bred hurler is ready, though, you're going to hear from him. Actually Wright stands a far better chance than Robinson to make the jump into big-league baseball. The Dodgers are terribly low on good pitchers, and by gosh, that Wright is one helluva moundsman. There's no question in my mind that Wright will make the Montreal varsity, for like their parent-team, the Royals are also void of hill talent.

The wiry Negro right-hander is in a fine position to be called from Canada during midseason to bolster the highly unreliable Dodger pitching crew.

Outside of Hal Gregg, Ralph Branca and perhaps Tom Seats, the Brooklynites are loaded with question-marks on the hill. There's little Vic Lombardi, Ed Head, Jake Pfund, Claude Crocker, Les Weber—all of whom run hot and cold.

It's obvious that Branch Rickey

desperately needs as many twirlers as he can lay hands on. John Wright belongs in that category. He's had some tests against big-league competition while in the service, and did okay for himself. His last full season in the Negro leagues saw Wright rack up a terrific record of 31 wins and five setbacks. He's got savvy, a lovely fast ball, well-controlled hooks—and that all-important knuckler. Frenchy Bordogary and Gene Hermanski, who've played against Wright, told me they rate him a very fine hurler.

So, unless I miss my guess, Johnny Wright may very well turn out to be the first Negro in major league baseball.

The regular Montreal shortstop, Stan Breard, played his first few innings of the year against St. Paul here in the picturesque City Island Park the other afternoon.

Best defensive infielder in the International League over the past two years, the popular little French-Canadian is quit a ground coverer at that hole between second and third.

As Jackie Robinson, who plays a bit of shortstop himself, said to me the first time he saw Breard step on the diamond: "That fellow's really got class." —BILL MARDO.

9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

11:00-WEAF—Fred Waring Show	WOR—News; Talk; Music	WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman	WABC—Amanda, Sketch	WMCN—News; Music Box	WQXR—News; Alma Dettinger	11:15-WOR—Tello-Test, Quiz	WABC—Second Husband, Sketch	11:30-WEAF—Harry Cameron, Sketch	WOR—Take It Easy Time	WJZ—Home Edition	WABC—A Woman's Life, Play	WMCN—News Reports	WQXR—Concert Music	11:45-WEAF—David Harum	WOR—Victor Lindlahr, Talk	WJZ—Ted Malone, Talk	WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories	WMCN—This Woman's World
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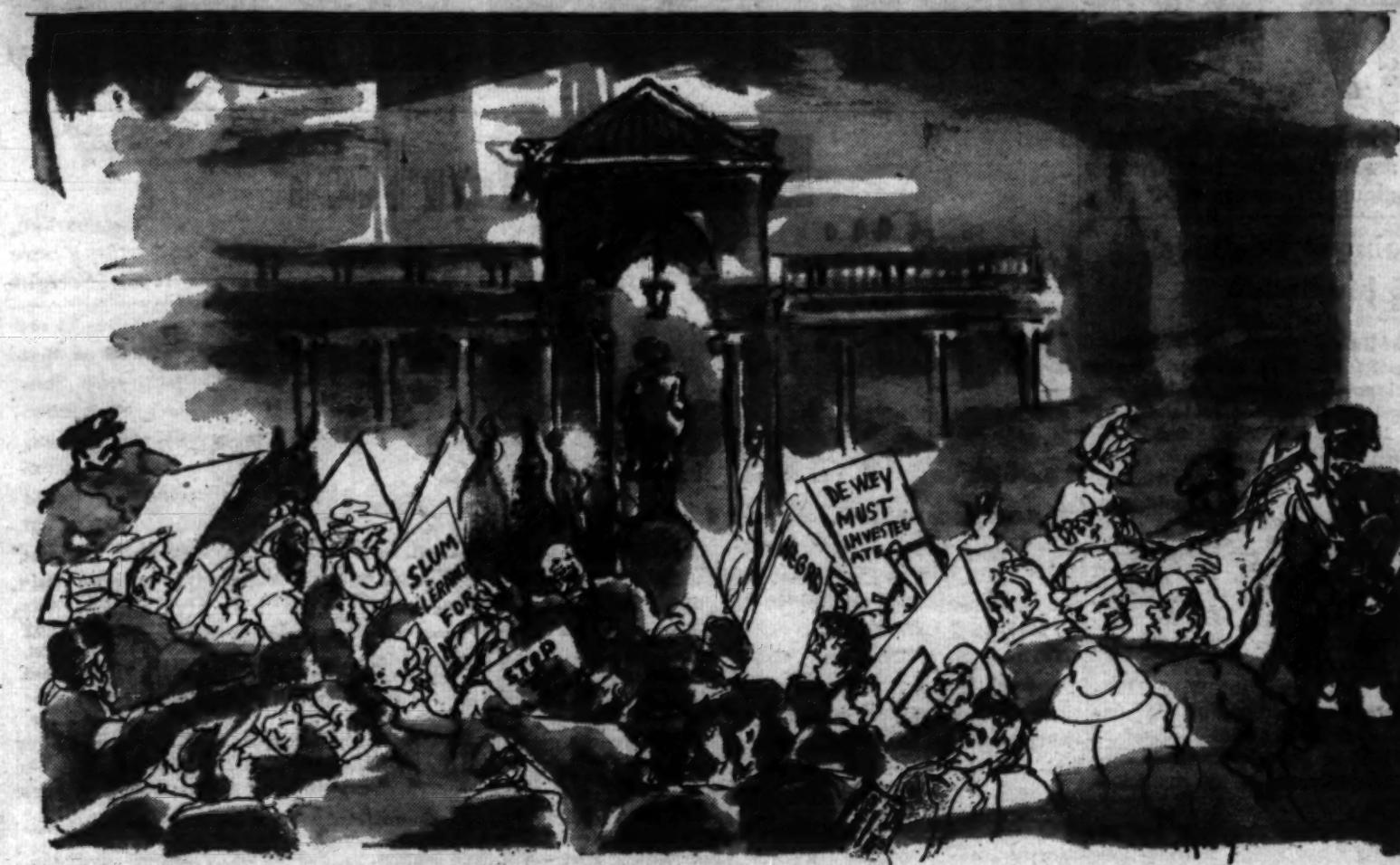
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11:00-WEAF—John MacVane, News	WOR—News; Hymns You Love	WJZ—Glamour Manor	WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat	WMCN—News; Recorded Music	WQXR—News; Luncheon Music	12:15-WEAF—Maggi McNellis	WABC—Big Sister	12:30-WEAF—Art Van Damme Quartet	WOR—News; The Answer Man	WJZ—News; Charm School	WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful	WMCN—News; Recorded Music	WQXR—News; Symphonic Music	12:45-WEAF—Portia Faces Life	WOR—Superman	1:00-WEAF—Portia Faces Life	WJZ—Terry and the Pirates	WABC—School of the Air
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6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF—News; Concert Music	WOR—Paul Shubert	WJZ—News; Kiernan's Corner	WABC—Quincy Howe	WMCN—News; Talk	WQXR—Music to Remember	6:15-WOR—Bob Olson, Interview	WJZ—Ethel and Albert, Sketch	6:30-WOR—James Carroll, Tenor	6:30-WOR—News; Dinner Music	6:30-WOR—News; Fred Vandever	6:30-WOR—Sports Talk	6:30-WOR—H. O'Hara Lanier, Talk	6:30-WOR—Racing Results	6:45-WEAF—Bill Stern, Sports	6:45-WEAF—Lowell	6:45-WEAF—Stan Lomax, Sports	6:45-WEAF—Herr's Morgan	6:45-WEAF—The World Today

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Artist's view of the Union Square demonstration against War Mongers last Friday, March 8, by Thomas Delaney.

Special Performance Of 'Mark the Voices'

A special performance of *Mark the Voices*, a musical drama based on the difficulties of an American major in the re-education of German youth, will be given under the auspices of the North Shore Committee for Russian Relief on Wednesday, March 13, at 8:30 p. m., in the League Building, Sanford Ave. and Union St., Flushing, L. I.

The cast of the play includes more than seventy volunteers who have organized the Queens Community Theatre project, a non-profit cooperative.

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ART Today

LITTLE FENCED- IN VISIONS OF UNREALITY

by Marion Summers

IT MUST be obvious to anyone visiting galleries and exhibitions these days that abstract art is on the increase in America. Apparently undisturbed by the war or the threat of another war, oblivious to a revival of fascism and a triumphant imperialism, unheeding of exploitation or the democratic struggles of peoples throughout the world, shutting their eyes to all the problems that face humanity today, a whole section of artists are immersed in the engrossing task of juggling geometric shapes and colors.

One of the pioneers of abstract art, the Dutch painter, Piet Mondrian, is represented at the Valentine gallery by 16 canvases, some of which were left unfinished at the time of his recent death. Mondrian was in many ways the most consistent and tenacious exponent of abstract art. At least he carried it as far as it logically could go in one direction. Together with his compatriot, Van Doesburg, he developed Neo-Plasticism, which, like the Purism of Ozenfant and the Constructivism and Suprematism of the Russians, Malevich, Lissitsky, Pevsner and Gabo, was part of the movement toward simplification that grew out of Cubism.

For years Mondrian painted large canvases which look like linoleum patterns. They invariably consist of white areas divided by a few choice black vertical and horizontal lines. The resulting rectangles, one, two, or sometimes even three, are filled in with pure blue, red, or yellow pigment.

MONDRIAN states flatly, "I was always a realist." He goes on to explain: "The appearance of natural forms changes, but reality remains constant. To create pure reality plastically, it is necessary to reduce natural forms to the constant elements of form and natural color to primary color. The aim is not to create other particular forms and colors with all their limitations, but to work toward abolishing them in the interest of a larger unity." He adds, "To create unity, art has to follow not nature's aspect, but what nature really is."

This is nothing more than the old idealist conception that nature is something beyond its component parts. What he seems to overlook is that the aspects of reality are certainly as real as its most simplified form. Would anyone argue that a figure by Daumier is less real than a blue rectangle by Mondrian?

Mondrian, perhaps more than any other abstractionist, carried his philosophy to its ultimate and thereby unwittingly revealed its weaknesses. He reduced the universe to an equation of geometric shapes. He turned his back on the richness of nature in all its manifestation, upon man with all his aspirations and problems and upon society with all its complexities to bury himself in the limited security of the "essential" rectangle.

His retreat, though it shows an awareness of social problems, is a conscious renunciation of the human capacity for progress. Mondrian says, "In our present mechanized world, where the opposing factors of life are so strongly accentuated that only combat can bring a solution, it is illogical to experience reality through fantastic feelings. At the moment there is no need to create a reality of imagination based on appearances, events or traditions. Art should not follow the intuitions relating to our life in time, but only those intuitions relating to a true reality."

IN OTHER WORDS, all attempts by man to solve his problems are "illogical" because they are based on knowledge which is "fantastic." We must not depend upon experience or history, but upon some ideal abstraction of reality.

Were this an example of one man's inability to understand the world, we would not stop to ponder his art, but simply take what little enjoyment there is in the precision and variety with which Mondrian manipulates his rectangles. But Mondrian is symptomatic of a whole school of artistic endeavor. His special brand of abstraction has had a tremendous effect upon the present crop of young painters. Too many American artists have followed Mondrian up his blind alley and are now camped there, creating neat little fenced-in visions of unreality.

Stage for Action's Theatre Parade

Paul Feigay and Oliver Smith, producers of the currently playing "Billion Dollar Baby," have arranged for members of its cast to participate in Stage for Action's Theatre Parade at Carnegie Hall on March 31. Those who will appear in the gala variety show will be Joan McCracken in Jerome's ballet "Dreams Come True," and Mitzl Green in selections from "Billion Dollar Baby."

Theatre Parade, which will feature other stars from Broadway shows and night clubs, will inaugurate Stage for Action as a permanent theatrical group.

Raymond Walsh

Quizmaster on WMCA

Six young scholars in their senior year at New York City and Westchester County high schools will face Dr. J. Raymond Walsh, the noted radio commentator, across the microphone on WMCA's weekly series, Alexander's *Quidnam Class*, Friday March 15, 9:30 to 10:00 p. m.

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Psycho-Thriller Leaves Our Critic Unshaken

LITTLE BROWN JUG, by Marie Baumert, produced by Courtney Burr, directed by Gerald Savory at the Martin Beck Theater. Among the cast are Percy Kilbride, Katherine Alexander, Arthur Margeson and Marjorie Lord.

Little Brown Jug is the type of psychological thriller that has become fashionable these past few years.

Unfortunately there is nothing of psychology and few if any, thrills in this production. It begins with a completely unbelievable situation that no amount of plot turns can make credible. It has its amusing spots but generally it hops along in desultory fashion.

The characters talk too much and don't say anything. The story concerns the blackmail of a bourgeois mother and daughter by a rustic villain who saw the death of the daughter's husband and threatens to accuse them falsely of murder. He is frightened off in the end in the same way that he could have been frightened off in the beginning—by a counter-accusation. But then the play would run for only five minutes.

The characters are weakly drawn and the actors do not have much to do. Percy Kilbride is amusing as the villain, but he lays it on a bit too thick at times.—A. S.

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Assembly Reactionaries Heil Franco

By MAX GORDON

ALBANY, March 12.—An open appeal for the Franco regime by a pro-Christian-Front assemblyman from Queens today drew loud and repeated applause from the GOP side, and considerable applause from the Democrats.

Thomas F. Hurley, Jackson Heights Republican, assailed the "leftist career diplomats" of the State Department for criticizing Franco, and demanded we keep hands off.

On the ground of "sovereignty," he attacked the Soviet Union, the democracies of Eastern Europe and the "undermining" of the policies of former Ambassador Hurley in China.

"Over the countries of Europe flies the hammer and sickle," he shouted, "while only over Spain flies the cross. Better anarchy than the type of Sovietism; better complete destruction than the kind of government they are building in Europe."

He was sharply reminded by ALP Assemblyman Leo Isacson that State Department documents showed Franco's aid to the Axis had sent thousands of American boys to the bottom of the ocean.

Isacson declared the Franco regime was born through Axis intervention and remains an Axis base.

He charged the Communist bogey was being revived to help fascism survive.

There was no applause for Isacson, but he was supported by Assemblyman Leonard Farbstein of Manhattan Democrat, who insisted the Legislature ought not to be a forum to defend anyone who lined up with the Axis.

O'Dwyer Sales Tax Plan Introduced

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, March 12.—Mayor O'Dwyer's special tax program, including the doubling of the sales tax, was introduced today by members of the Democratic minority.

Other features of the program are doubling of business taxes, two racing taxes and a 10 percent hotel tax.

Assembly leader Irwin Steingut said he had exhausted all means for getting more state aid from the Dewey-controlled legislature.

He stated he intended to back the Isacson bill to rescind the State income tax cut and apportion the money to the cities. ALP Assemblyman Isacson announced he would call his bill up next Tuesday.

In an effort to sidestep the issue of milk monopolies, the temporary State Commission on Agriculture handed in its report today, accompanied by a message from Dewey. **PROPOSE "STUDY"**

The report proposes to "study" various phases of farming and distribution for next year, hurdles an election year.

Dewey's message asked funds to fight cattle diseases and for animal and plant research. He backed food subsidies, which the farm lobby is supporting following defeat of its attempt to raise consumer milk prices 3 cents a quart.

In a minority report, the two Democratic members, Assemblyman Frank Emma and Sen. Vincent Corrono of Utica, charged the commission aimed to forestall a real inquiry into the milk price spread.

CIO ACTION

The State CIO today challenged the Bar Association to submit its anti-labor bill to a referendum of

CP VETS TO GO TO CAPITAL TO PROTEST ARMY RED-BAITING

A large delegation of Communist veterans from the eastern region will be in Washington next Tuesday to protest the War Department ruling which the press has interpreted as barring Communists from "sensitive" positions or holding commissions in the U.S. Army. It was announced yesterday by John Gates, Veterans Director of the Communist Party.

Gates wired President Harry Truman, Chief of Staff Dwight Eisenhower, Secretary of War Robert Patterson and the House and Senate Military Affairs Committees yesterday requesting interviews on the day the delegation will be in Washington.

Steingut Declines

GE Invitation

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, March 12.—Democratic Assembly Leader Irwin Steingut said today he had refused an invitation to take part in inauguration of a new television program tomorrow sponsored by the General Electric Co.

Steingut stated he would not cross a picket line.

association members. The bill, introduced by Sen. Fred A. Young, Lowville Republican, calls for compulsory arbitration and a "cooling off" period.

The CIO backed the W. J. Mahoney-Austin bill to end bias in education, the Baczkowski-W. J. Mahoney bill to pay sick benefits and bills for state aid to the municipal colleges.

It also backed the Jack bill for an elected city board of education, but the bill was killed today in the Assembly Education Committee upon demand of the present board.

Bills opposed by the CIO included the Downey-Washburn "so-called anti-bargain bill," the bill to cut the statute of limitations for collection of back wage from six years to one year, and bills to cripple the state insurance fund.

The Falk-Olliffe bill ending substitute teacher evil in New York City, passed by the Senate, was approved by the Assembly Education Committee.

Vets Hit Dewey Plan To Put Off Bonus

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY, March 12.—Veterans are incensed at Gov. Dewey's move to postpone payment of a state bonus until 1948 through constitutional amendment.

A petition of 5,000 Schenectady citizens was delivered today to Assemblyman Leo Isacson (ALP-Bx) in support of his bill for immediate payment at mustering-out pay rates.

Isacson also received over 1,000 signatures collected by Bronx ALP veterans on one corner in a single hour. They are the first instalment in a drive for 50,000 signatures in the Bronx.

The Schenectady petition was sponsored by the Joint Veterans Committee of Workers of striking General Electric and American Locomotive companies.

The committee, in a quarter page ad in the local papers today, attacked the Dewey proposal and urged support for the Isacson plan.

Isacson will ask for a vote on his bill next week.

Capital CP to Hear

Josh Lawrence

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Josh Lawrence, member of the national committee of the Communist Party, will address a Party Builders Meeting here tomorrow (Wednesday) at 1015 M. St., N. W. Lawrence is also a leader in the National Maritime Union, CIO.

William Taylor, educational director of the Maryland and District of Columbia CP, will also speak. Taylor was recently discharged from the army.

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5c Fare Pays All Expenses-- Except for Bankers' Take

By LOUISE MITCHELL

The subways pay for themselves but they don't make enough to cover the bankers' take. If Charles P. Gross, chairman of the Board of Transportation doesn't believe this, let him read the report just issued by his own Board covering the five years ending June 30, 1945.

On page 25 of the report, Gross, who recently was ready to turn the city's power plants over to the Consolidated-Edison monopoly, would find that the straphangers are not responsible for the financial jam in which the transit system now finds itself.

Revenue from the subways more than covers operating expenses.

It is only the heavily inflated debt charges paid to bankers which keeps the system in the red.

The \$56,000,000 annual debt payment which covers interest on bonds and amortization are the result of years of financial mismanagement of the subway lines.

In talking before the Women's City Club on Monday, Gross dealt with only one side of the picture. He asserted that a subway ride now selling for five cents costs the city 6.7 cents and that by 1949 this same ride would cost 8.75 cents. Gross failed to mention that the nickel fare covers operating costs but that the system's bondholders are getting the free rides.

Admitting that his job was to run the subways and not determine its fare policy, Gross, however, gave the advocates of the 10-cent fare the right of way. "Nothing less" than a 10-cent fare, he maintained, could make the subways "self-sustaining."

Backers of a high fare always use the argument of a "self-sustaining" transit system. No agency of the city government covers its full expenses, nor is expected to, but the real estate groups and financiers insist that subways pay for themselves and not draw from the city's General Fund for its deficits.

To them the General Fund, which is the total amount of money received by the city from real estate, business tax, licenses, sales tax, appropriations from the state and all other sources, is sacred.

Real estate groups insist that a reduced demand on the General Fund would reduce real estate taxes. As a matter of record, however, New York real estate is not taxed to its full legal limit. If it were, the burden of transit improvement and expansion would not have to fall on straphangers' shoulders.

The Board of Transportation's report disclosed that revenue from the subway lines increased from \$115,175,322 in 1941 to \$125,668,373 in 1945 while operating expenses increased from \$87,405,609 in 1941 to \$111,684,158 in 1945. The excess of operating revenue over operating expenses was about \$28,000,000 in 1941 and \$14,000,000 in 1945.

The sum of \$56,000,000 paid for interest and the sinking fund remained constant.

QUINN OUSTER DEMANDED BY P.S. 220 PARENT RALLY

A demand that May A. Quinn be removed from the school system and George A. Timone ousted from the Board of Education was made by parents meeting at P.S. 220, Brooklyn, last night. Miss Quinn is teaching in that school.

A citywide delegation will urge O'Dwyer tomorrow at 4 p.m. to oust the reactionary School Board.

Leaders of the delegation are Mrs. Rose Russell, CIO Teachers Union legislative representative; Mrs. Evelyn Tyler, of Parents United Against Bigotry in the Schools; Mrs. Dorothy Ford, of Bedford-Stuyvesant Schools Council; Larry Rifkin, Veterans Against Discrimination; Harry Eisner, American Veterans Committee; Rev. Ben Richardson, associate editor of *The Protestant*; Mario D'Inville, Boro Park Coordinating Council; Mrs. Fay Jaeger, president of Parents Association of P.S. 131, and Mrs. Mary Bloom, P.A. president of P.S. 220.

Sent 2d Iran Note, U.S. Says

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The received reports to the effect that State Department said tonight it had sent a second note on March 6 (the day after Churchill's speech) to the Soviet government asking for official confirmation of reported movements of Soviet troops into Iran and "if so, the reasons therefore."

"This government has inquired of the Soviet Government whether such movements have taken place and if so the reasons therefore."

1,500,000 Vets Now Unemployed

WASHINGTON, March 12 (UP).—Unemployment among veterans is approaching the 1,500,000 mark, the Veterans Administration revealed tonight.

GI readjustment allowances of \$20 weekly have totaled \$320,000,000 since September, 1944.

Iran Premier Reports in Secret Session

TEHERAN, March 12.—Premier Ahmed Ghavam reported on his mission to Moscow at a half-hour secret session of the Iranian Parliament today.

Only about 60 deputies were present. Demonstrations by the democratic Tudeh Party continued outside the Parliament building.

Jacques Chevalier, Vichyite, Gets 20 Years

PARIS, March 12 (UP).—Jacques Chevalier, who served Marshal Henri-Philippe Petain's Vichy government in the ministries of Health and Education, was sentenced to 20 years of hard labor and stripped of his civil rights today.

France Sends New Note on Franco

PARIS, March 12 (UP).—Foreign Minister Georges Bidault delivered a new note on the Spanish situation to U. S. Ambassador Jefferson Caffery and British Ambassador Alfred Duff-Cooper today, replying to Anglo-American objections to the French proposal that the problem be placed before the United Nations Security Council.

The French Government has authorized 11 more Spanish Republican publications in France, which will include all phases of exiled political opinion.

Supreme Soviet Opens Meeting

MOSCOW, March 12 (UP).—The Supreme Soviet of the Soviet Union met tonight for an important one-week session.

The new five-year plan of industrial production, with increased consumer goods a feature, was put on the program at once.

The Council of the Union was the first of the two houses to meet, with Academician Alexander Bai-

kov, the oldest member, presiding. Marshal Andrei Zhdanov was elected permanent chairman.

Zhdanov was Communist Party chief for Leningrad and is head of the Allied Control Commission for Finland.

Premier Joseph Stalin, wearing the uniform of a marshal, sat in the last row of the raised platform facing the deputies in St. Andrew's of a supreme court.